

Groton Sept 10<sup>th</sup> 1833 —

My dear Debora

This dull rainy day in the country is just calculated to give one like myself a fit of theague demons and I think writing to you would be as likely to keep them off as any thing, though I have in fact nothing worth writing about, and as you say I do not possess the happy talent however I will do the best I can. I was delighted to hear by your good little letter, that you were so smart & hope & pray it may continue. I have just recovered from a severe cold & cough which I took in the city when I have been for a few days past. I had a delightful time saw all my friends, that is, all that I considered worth seeing, which is rather a small number and I must say, that I left with some little regret. I passed most of the time in the street as you may suppose, Mrs Talboys had a fancy for you know I went to the Statuary which I was perfectly enchanted with I suppose you have had a full account from a member. The land lady I was particularly struck with and had she only been flesh & blood I should have felt in love at once and also Sauter Johnny who I think was very interesting. I never saw any thing of the kind that pleased me so much I could have looked a great while longer than I did but my story in town was so extending brief that I could not offer <sup>as</sup> much time as I wished. I am sorry that I am not able to give you a more particular account of your preceptor that is to be. I have newly seen him pass I hear from every one that knows him that he is a fine man but as to his qualifications I know nothing, but I think you had better try him perhaps he will equal his predecessor I hope so at least I know his sisters very well, they are three



in number and as old maidish as you please but one of them  
I believe is trying hard. Angelina is now in Lowell staying  
with Matilda, I stopped there on my way home she seems  
well and happy her good man is as brisk as a bottle of beer, I  
wish every body loved their husband's as well as she ~~does~~ does.  
Ange continues engaged ~~but when~~ and I wish I could say  
as much of some of her sisters, but I have come to the con-  
clusion that the best people remain unengaged. but when  
she intends to become Mrs Chapin I don't know but I am  
rather inclined to think not before next spring. Eliza is  
sorely down long since and I believe has made up her  
mind to a state of single blessedness and I think it is  
best she should, for I think she is not calculated ~~for~~  
exactly to live double. Helanice I have formed no  
such conclusion but am going to time on till we see  
Mr Regat. I depend much on your seeing your very  
dear Deborah and although we do not agree on many  
points yet I hope we are yet good friends. I shall be  
at home in about a month when I shall hope to make  
you my annual visit, ~~for~~ I shall then have much  
to pour forth. I have enjoyed my self this summer  
very much, but shall be rather glad than otherwise  
to be made down again at home. We have a new instru-  
ment in the shape of a Spanish Guitar I have ~~expressed~~  
exercised my vocal powers this summer to a very  
great extent I have sung more than I have for the  
last dozen years or so, I think I shall learn on the  
Guitar this winter. Give my love to Anne and tell  
her I want to see her, and <sup>your</sup> her talk I suppose the eldest  
sister is with you if so present my regards &c &c.  
I hope I shall hear from you soon your letter gave me much  
pleasure it now lies open before me and quite puts me to  
the blush. I believe I have nothing particular to add, I hope  
your patience will not be exhausted by reading this nonsense  
for I can write a better ~~letter~~ letter than that. Remember me  
to all enquiring friends and forgetting your good precepts. Yrs truly Sylvia Anne



After reading this epistle I am almost ashamed to send it, it is  
so full of nonsense, but I trust to your good sense not to let  
it be particularly pursued by the elders. Write soon Good bye  
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For,

Miss Debora Weston  
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